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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: ) Group Art Unit: 3746  
William Dale Jones ) Examiner: William H. Rodriguez  
Serial No.: 10/630,649 ) **TRANSMITTAL LETTER**  
Filed: July 29, 2003 ) 162 North Wolfe Road  
For: **CONTROL OF FLUID FLOW IN** ) Sunnyvale, California 94086  
**THE PROCESSING OF AN** ) (408) 530-9700  
**OBJECT WITH A FLUID** ) Customer Number 28960  
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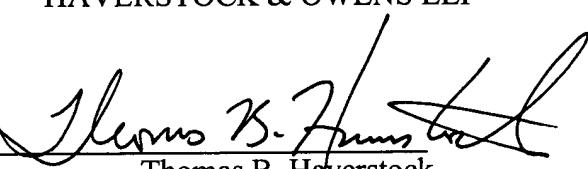
Sir:

Enclosed please find an amendment and response to an office action mailed on July 6, 2006 for filing with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 08-1275. **An originally executed duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.**

Respectfully submitted,  
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Dated: July 21, 2006

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20 Sir:  
Applicants submit the following Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed  
July 6, 2006.

25 **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2;

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3;  
and  
Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.